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 RUEADX/COMDR TAC LAFBVA
 RUEKDA/DIA WASHDC
 RUEAHQ/HQS USAF WASHDC
 RUEKDA/DIA PROD CTR
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 RUEHCR/STATE RCI WASHDC
 RUEKDA/JCS/JRC WASHDC
 RUEPCR/DIRNSA
 RUEPDA/ACSI DA WASHDC
 RUEPIA/CIA WASHDC
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 RUHLKM/PACAF HONOLULU HAWAII
 RUHKA/CINCPAC CAMP SMITH OAHU HAWAII
 RUHPB/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII
 RUHPD/FICPAC FORD ISLAND HAWAII
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RUAPDT/ARMY MAP SERVICE FAR EAST TOKYO JAPAN
RUHLKM/DET 1 [REDACTED] HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMBDF/DET 2 35 TACGP PPC UDORN THAILAND
RUMBC/DEPCOMUSMAC THAILAND
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REVIEW BY NPIC OF MISSION [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REVEALS A CONTINUING REDEPLOYMENT OF MILITARY
ACTIVITY ALONG ROUTE 65.

MANY CAMPS, NOT CONCEALED IN PART BY TREE CANOPY OR BY
KARST CLIFFS ARE BEING DISMANTLED AND MANY OF THE REMAINING
AREAS ARE BEING COMOUFLAGED AND IN SOME CASES EXPANDED. AAA
DEFENSE IS BEING STRENGTHENED IN THE BAN NAKAY NEUA AREA AND
PLACED ALONG ROUTE 65 IN THE KANG PABONG AREA. THE PRESENCE
OF A HIGH NUMBER OF STAGING/BARRACKS/STORAGE AREAS ALONG ROUTE
65 AND THE WELL TRAVELED APPEARANCE OF THE ROUTE IN CONTRAST
TO THE LITTLE TO MODERATELY USED APPEARANCE OF ROUTE 6 FROM THE
JUNCTION OF ROUTES 6 AND 65 EASTWARD IMPLIES THAT ROUTE 65
IS THE PRIME ROUTE BEING USED TO MAINTAIN MILITARY ACTIVITY IN
THE SAM NEUA AREA. THE FOLLOWING MILITARY ACTIVITY IS NOTED
ALONG ROUTE 65:

AREA 1) 1.0 NM NNW OF BAN NA THENE ON SOUTH SIDE OF

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ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH 151612. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINS AT LEAST 6 BUILDINGS PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY TREE CANOPY.

AREA 2) 0.6 NM NNW OF BAN NA THENE ON EITHER SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH 155607. SEVERAL VEHICLE PARKS AND SEVERAL SHORT ACCESS ROADS TO AND AROUND KARST CLIFFS SUGGESTING CAVE STORAGE. FIVE PROBABLE VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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AREA 3) 0.4 NM WNW OF BAN NONG KOU ON NE SIDE OF ROUTE 65 UTM VH 187585. MILITARY AREA CONTAINING AT LEAST 18 BARRACKS / STORAGE BUILDINGS PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY TREE CANOPY.

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AREA 4) MAJOR STAGING AREA CONTINING 11 SUB-AREAS REFERENCED FROM BAN NAKAY NEUA (2024N 10414E) ON SW SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AS FOLLOWS:

A. 1.6 NM WNW AT UTM VH 169583 - PARTIALLY DISMANTLED BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTINING 6 LARGE BUILDINGS, AT LEAST 15 BUILDINGS SCARS AND NUMEROUS SMALL BUILDINGS.

B. 1.0 NM WNW OF UTM VH 183583. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY TREE CANOPY CONTINING AT LEAST 6 BUILDINGS, SOME OF WHICH ARE CAMOUFLAGED.

C. 1.2 NM WEST AT UTM VH 175573. DISPERSED AND CAMOUFLAGED STORAGE AREA ALONG A KARST CLIFF CONTAINING AT LEAST 8 BUILDINGS. POSSIBLE CAVE STORAGE.

D. 1.0 NM WSW AT UTM VH 178569. STORAGE AREA ADJACENT TO KARST CLIFF CONTAINING 5 CAMOUFLAGED BUILDINGS. ADJACENT POSSIBLE BARRACKS AREA PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY TREE FOLIAGE CONTAINS AT LEAST 15 BUILDINGS.

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E. 0.8 NM SW AT UTM VH185566. STORAGE AREA CONTAINING AT LEAST 5 DISPERSED BUILDINGS PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY TREE CANOPY AND AN ADJACENT OPEN STORAGE AREA CONTAINING LARGE, OPEN POSSIBLE STORAGE PITS, ONE OF WHICH MAY BE COVERED, THE OTHERS EMPTY.

F. 0.5 NM SW AT UTM VH 192565. THREE SEPARATE BARRACKS/STORAGE AREAS CLUSTERED AROUND AN IRREGULAR BODY OF KARST CONTAINING AT LEAST 50 BUILDINGS. POSSIBLE CAVE STORAGE IN ADJACENT CLIFFS.

G. 0.4 NM ESE AT UTM VH 203567. WIDELY DISPERSED BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY TREE CANOPY CONTAINING AT LEAST 25 BUILDINGS, SOME OF WHICH ARE CAMOUFLAGED.

H. 1.0 NM SSE AT UTM VH 201555. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINS AT LEAST 60 DISPERSED BUILDINGS, OF WHICH MANY ARE CAMOUFLAGED.

I. 1.4 NM SOUTH AT UTM VH196548. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA DISPERSED ALONG CLIFF CONTAINS AT LEAST 17 BUILDINGS.

J. 1.7 NM SSE AT UTM VH203542. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINING 22 BUILDINGS.

K. 0.9 NM SSW AT UTM VH188588. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY TREE CANOPY CONTAINING AT LEAST 22 CAMOUFLAGED BUILDINGS. AREA 4 IS DEFENDED BY 9 LIGHT, OCCUPIED AAA SITES LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) 202444N 1041312E - 6 GUN SITE
- 2) 202449N 1041316E - 6 GUN SITE
- 3) 202446N 1041324E - 6 GUN SITE

- 4) 202454N 104133E - 4 GUN SITE
- 5) 202458N 104133E - 6 GUN SITE
- 6) 202505N 104133E - 6 GUN SITE
- 7) 202456N 104134E - 6 GUN SITE
- 8) 202452N 104135E - 5 GUN SITE, 4 POSITIONS OCCUPIED
- 9) 202430N 104135E - 4 GUN SITE

[REDACTED]

AREA 5). 0.4 NM NW OF NA VIT TEN ON SW SIDE OF ROUTE 65
AT UTM VH234537. SECURED AREA CONTAINS A TOTAL OF 9 BUILDINGS.

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AREA 6) 0.3 NM NE OF NA VIET TEU ON NE SIDE OF ROUTE 65
AT UTM VH 245538 PROBABLE STORAGE AREA CONTAINING AT LEAST 40
BUILDINGS, SOME OF WHICH ARE CAMOUFLAGED. A PROBABLE SMALL
REVETTED STORAGE AREA AND APPROXIMATELY 5 PROBABLE POL DRUMS
IN CENTER OF AREA. COMPARISON OF [REDACTED]
PHOTOGRAPHY REVEALS THE CONSTRUCTION OF ONE BUILDING, CAMOUFLAGING
OF SEVERAL PREVIOUSLY UNCAMOUFLAGED BUILDINGS, AND THE RE-
ALIGNMENT OF THE PROBABLE POL DRUMS. CAVE STORAGE IS PROBABLE
IN ADJACENT CLIFFS. [REDACTED]

AREA 7). 0.2 NM SE ON NORTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 UTM VH
249532. POSSIBLE BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINING 9 LARGE
AND SEVERAL SMALL BUILDINGS. EXTENSIVE VEHICULAR TRACK ACTIVITY
ADJACENT TO AREA AND A CLIFF INDICATES POSSIBLE CAVE STORAGE.

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AREA 8). IMMEDIATELY NE OF HOUA THONG ON NE SIDE OF ROUTE
65 AT UTM VH257528. PROBABLE STORAGE AREA CONTAINING 12 LARGE

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BUILDINGS, MOST OF WHICH ARE CAMOUFLAGED. SEVERAL SMALL BUILDINGS AND POSSIBLE CAVE STORAGE IN ADJACENT CLIFFS. [REDACTED]

AREA 9) 0.2 NM NW OF XIENG LOUANG ON NORTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH 264522. TWO SEPARATE STORAGE AREAS CONTAINING AT LEAST 10 STORAGE/SUPPORT BUILDINGS AND PROBABLE CAVE STORAGE.

[REDACTED]

AREA 10) 0.2 NM SE OF XIENG LOUANG ON EAST SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH271516. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINING A TOTAL OF 12 LARGE AND SEVERAL SMALL BUILDINGS, 1 OF WHICH IS CAMOUFLAGED. TWO LARGE TRUCKS OBSERVED IN AN ADJACENT VEHICLE HOLDING AREA PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY TREE CANOPY. [REDACTED]

AREA 11) 0.2 NM WNW OF NA KHAO ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH 292498. AREA CONTAINS AT LEAST 11 BUILDINGS, SOME OF WHICH ARE CAMOUFLAGED AND AN ADJACENT POSSIBLE OPEN STORAGE AREA. A SMALL, UNCONCEALED MILITARY CAMP ADJACENT TO AREA IS BEING DISMANTLED. [REDACTED]

AREA 12). 0.5 NM EAST OF NA KHAO, ON EITHER SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH304496. ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE, A BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINING AT LEAST 28 BUILDINGS WHICH ARE PARTIALY OBSCURED BY TREE CANOPY, AND SOME OF WHICH ARE CAMOUFLAGED. POSSIBLE CAVE STORAGE IN ADJACENT CLIFFS. ON NORTH OF ROUTE IS A CAMOUFLAGED BARRACKS AREA CONTAINING 10 BARRACKS-TYPE AND 1 PROBABLE T-SHAPED ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. [REDACTED]

AREA 13). 0.3 NM WNW OF BAN KHO ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH320487. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINING 6 BUILDINGS, SOME OF WHICH ARE CAMOUFLAGED. [REDACTED]

AREA 14). 0.2 NM SSE OF BAN KHO ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH325485. POSSIBLE MILITARY CAMP CONTAINS AT LEAST 6 BUILDINGS PARTIALLY CONCEALED BY TREE CANOPY. AREA IS CONNECTED TO ROUTE 65 BY A TRAIL. [REDACTED]

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AREA 15) 0.2 NM EAST OF BAN KHO ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH 328487. MILITARY CAMP CONTAINING 6 BUILDINGS INCLUDING 1 "L" - SHAPE SUPPORT BUILDING AND SEVERAL SMALL MISCELLANEOUS BUILDINGS. [REDACTED]

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AREA 16) 0.2 NM ESE OF SOM POY ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH369477. PROBABLE REST/REFUEL AREA UNDER A DENSE TREE CANOPY. ACCESS ROAD APPEARS HEAVILY TRAVELED. [REDACTED]

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AREA 17). 0.5 NM EAST OF KANG PABONG ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH 394471. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINING AT LEAST 9 BUILDINGS PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY TREE CANOPY. A COMOUFLAGED OCCUPIED 4-GUN LIGHT AAA SITE IS LOCATED 0.1 NM WEST AT 201921N 1043501E AND 2 OCCUPIED 5-GUN LIGHT AAA SITES, ARE LOCATED 0.4 NM WEST OF KANG PABONG AT 201933N 1042452E. [REDACTED]

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AREA 18). 4.1 NM OF KANG PABONG ON NORTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH 458462. MILITARY CAMP PROBABLY BEING DISMANTLED CONTAINING 6 BUILDINGS AND NUMEROUS BUILDING SCARS AND AN ADJACENT 5-GUN UNOCCUPIED LIGHT AAA SITE. [REDACTED]

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AREA 19). 0.8 NM WNW OF BAN NA MANG ON NORTH SIDE OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH569448. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINS 13 CAM-OUFLAGED BUILDINGS. [REDACTED]

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AREA 20). 0.1 NM NE OF BAN NA MANG ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE

65 AT UTM VH 585446. BARRACKS/STORAGE AREA CONTAINING 4 LARGE
AND 1 SMALL BUILDING.

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AREA 21). 0.6 NM WNW OF MUONG DAI ON EITHER SIDE OF
ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH 598442. PROBABLE ROAD CHECKPOINT CONSISTING
OF 1 PROBABLE ADMINISTRATION AND 1 BARRACKS BUILDING AND 1
PROBABLE OCCUPIED AW POSITION ON HILLSIDE ADJACENT TO CAMP.

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AREA 22). 0.2 NM ENE OF MUONG DAI AND 2.8 NM FROM THE
NORTH VIETNAMESE BORDER AT UTM VH 613442. MAJOR STAGING
AREA DIVIDED INTO 5 SUB-AREAS AS FOLLOWS:

A. ON EAST EDGE OF AREA AND ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROAD.
PROBABLE STORAGE AREA CONTAINING 8 LARGE BUILDINGS. IMMEDIATELY
NORTH OF STORAGE AREA IS A POL DEPOT CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY
300 PROBABLE EMPTY POL DRUMS IN AN OPEN NON-RENETTED STORAGE
AREA AND APPROXIMATELY 20 PROBABLE FULL POL DRUMS IN RENETTED
OPEN STORAGE. IMMEDIATELY WEST OF THE POL AND STORAGE AREA IS
AN OPEN STORAGE AREA WITH STACKS OF U/I MATERIAL. FIVE SUPPORT
BUILDINGS AND A PROBABLE VEHICLE HOLDING AREA OBSCURED BY
TREE CANOPY.

B. IN CENTER OF AREA AND ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROAD, A
PROBABLE STORAGE AREA CONTAINING 10 STORAGE BUILDINGS AND
PILES OF U/I STORAGE. AN ADJACENT VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AREA
CONTAINING 7 BUILDINGS AND SEVERAL PROBABLE TIRES IN OPEN
STORAGE AND A SMALL PROBABLE SUPPORT AREA CONTAINING 5 BUILDINGS.

C. ON WEST EDGE OF AREA AND ON SOUTH SIDE OF ROAD, A
BARRACKS/ADMINISTRATION/SUPPORT AREA CONTAINING 1 LARGE BARRACKS/

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ADMINISTRATION BUILDING WITH 2 PROBABLE ATTACHED MESSHALLS AND 7 SUPPORT BUILDINGS. A POSSIBLE PERSONNEL TRAINING AREA IS LOCATED IMMEDIATELY SSW OF AREA.

D. ON WEST EDGE EXTENDING TO CENTER OF AREA ON NORTH SIDE OF ROAD, TWO STORAGE AREAS CONTAINING 13 BUILDINGS.

E. ON EAST EDGE OF AREA AND ON NORTH SIDE OF ROAD, HOUSING AREA CONTAINING 8 BUILDINGS.

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AREA 23) 1.9 NM EAST OF MUONG DAI AT UTM VH644432. REST AND REFUEL AREA CONTAINING SEVERAL VEHICLE PARKING AREAS CUT OUT OF THE SURROUNDING VEGETATION. NO BUILDINGS OBSERVED UNDER THE HEAVY TREE CANOPY. TWO PROBABLE VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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